DCT1/DCT2 combined 2-year programme

Following feedback from trainees and a drive from HEE to deliver 2-year dental core training programmes, we have agreed to run a pilot of combining a number of DCT1 and DCT2 posts into a 2-year programme. The posts identified are posts that we know our DCTs often choose and that we feel fit together to deliver a good all-round experience and training covering the DCT curriculum in a wide variety of clinical settings. We have also combined posts that are geographically co-located allowing more stability and avoiding relocating. It also means one round of national recruitment.

Posts will be recruited to through DCT National Recruitment as 24-month posts. Applying and preferencing at DCT1 level through Oriel in the usual way.

The posts descriptors combine the existing post descriptors of the DCT1 element and the DCT2 element on a predetermined 'track'. The DCTs will undertake the same timetable and rota as the traditional 6 month or 12-month placements at DCT1 and DCT2 level.

DCTs will be assessed within the framework appropriate to their level. Could consider a PDP that spans the 2-year period. Run through to DCT2 dependent on satisfactory completion of DCT1. Progression from DCT1 pay point to DCT2 pay point after 12 months.

Benefits

Addresses feedback from DCTs giving job security for 2 years.

Stability improving engagement with training.

Avoids distraction of additional recruitment process.

Facilitates engagement in projects spanning 2 years

Posts included in the 2 year Programme

First Year DCT1 commencing Sept 2023 (split 6 posts indicated with 2 separate trusts)	Second Year run through to DCT2 starting Sept 2024 (split 6 posts indicated with 2 separate trusts)		
(A1)Liverpool University Dental Hospital Restorative/OS/OM	Aintree University Hospital OMFS/ Alder Hey Hospital Paediatrics		
(B1)Liverpool University Dental Hospital Oral Surgery/OM with Restorative	Alder Hey Hospital Paediatrics/OMFS/ Aintree University Hospital		
(C1)Countess of Chester Hospital / Arrowe Park Hospital OMFS	Liverpool Dental Hospital Restorative/OS/OM/ Aintree University Hospital OMFS		
(D1)Arrowe Park Hospital / Countess of Chester Hospital OMFS	Aintree University Hospital OMFS/ Liverpool Dental Hospital Restorative/OS/OM		
(E1)Aintree University Hospital / Arrowe Park Hospital OMFS/OS	Countess of Chester Hospital/ Aintree University Hospital OMFS		
(F1)Arrowe Park Hospital / Aintree University Hospital OMFS	Aintree University Hospital/ Countess of Chester Hospital OMFS		
(U1)East Lancashire (Royal Blackburn Hospital) OMFS	Royal Preston SCD with sessions in Restorative/Paediatric Dentistry		
(V1)Manchester Dental Hospital - Restorative/Oral Surgery	North Manchester Hospital OMFS/ Manchester Dental Hospital Oral Surgery/Oral Medicine		
(W1)Manchester Dental Hospital - Paeds/Ortho/Oral Surgery	Manchester Dental Oral Surgery/Oral Medicine/ North Manchester General Hospital OMFS		
(X1)Wythenshawe Hospital OMFS/OS	Manchester Royal Infirmary OMFS		
(Y1)Manchester Dental Hospital/Salford Community (Split Week Post) Restorative/SCD/CDS	Manchester Royal Infirmary OMFS		
(Z1)Royal Preston Hospital SCD with sessions in Restorative/Paediatric Dentistry	East Lancashire (Royal Blackburn Hospital) OMFS		